

## Letter from Alexander Graham Bell to Mabel Hubbard Bell, June 19, 1896, with transcript

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL TO MABEL (Hubbard) BELL Grand Narrows Hotel, Bras D'Or Lake, Cape Breton, N. S. June 19, 1896. My darling wee wifie:

I have just finished plotting curves for the figures obtained by Mr. McCurdy and I am delighted with the results.

The rotating machine evidently gives reliable results. Prof. Langley seems to be much interested. It is certainly extraordinary that the motors alone give larger lifts than the motors combined with aero-planes of 1200 square curve surface — at least aero-planes with motors horizontal. Tentative experiments made a few days ago seem to indicate that we cannot obtain greater results by any combination of aero-planes having that surface. However, we shall see. The experiments now in progress upon the “Combined System” will settle the point.

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